



Katherine Douglas

General Public Comment - Grp 3

From: Linda <lkrop@cox.net>
Sent: Friday, September 5, 2025 8:03 PM
To: Joan Hartmann
Cc: sbcob
Subject: Joan Be Just: Pass a Living Wage for Farmworkers!

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From: Melissa Langdell <melissa.langdell@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, September 6, 2025 9:24 PM
To: Joan Hartmann
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Subject: Joan Be Just: Pass a Living Wage for Farmworkers!

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Thank you for your attention,

Melissa Campbell-Langdell
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805.890.3468

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From: Adrienne Davis <davis.adrienne@icloud.com>
Sent: Sunday, September 7, 2025 11:24 AM
To: Joan Hartmann
Cc: sbcob
Subject: Joan Be Just: Pass a Living Wage for Farmworkers!

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Dear Supervisor Hartmann,

This is Adrienne Davis encouraging you, strongly, to support a living wage for our farmworkers, in this specific case, the folks who work in the vineyards. They are not getting a fair share of the fruits of their labor. It is time for a worthy change! The data shows a marked imbalance between the profits made and what is paid out to labor. This situation has been going on way too long.

The wine industry has an opportunity to scale up its beneficial largesse and create a more fair and truthful image of itself.

Thank you,
Adrienne Davis,
Sta. Barbara

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From: Aurora Meadows <a4meadows@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, September 7, 2025 2:41 PM
To: Joan Hartmann
Cc: sbcob; Erica@causenow.org; vanessa.teran@mixteco.org
Subject: Pass a Living Wage for Farmworkers!

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From: Marcia Molina <marciamolina925@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, September 7, 2025 3:12 PM
To: Joan Hartmann
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A concerned voter,

Marcia Molina

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From: Katherine Schaff <kathi.schaff@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, September 7, 2025 5:13 PM
To: Joan Hartmann
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Sincerely,

Katherine Schaff

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From: Dylan Carr <dylancarr713@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 8, 2025 8:29 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Immigration Enforcement Concerns 090825

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Hello Board of Supervisors,

Would you consider urging the Sheriff of Santa Barbara County to do what the LA city council has done with the LA Port Police? They have directed their officers to monitor ICE raids with their body cameras and help provide evidence against the federal government in their court battle.

You voted to join the ACLU lawsuit against the tactics used by federal immigration enforcement. Directing SB police to do the same (monitor and record immigration enforcement activity in Santa Barbara) would only strengthen our involvement in that lawsuit. It would also win trust with our community.

We have seen renewed ICE activity on our streets. Your action would help calm a community that is growing more and more on edge.

Thank you for your consideration.

https://www.calonews.com/featured-topics/immigration/la-asks-the-port-police-to-monitor-and-protect-the-community-against-ice/article_1cfed275-4a1e-4e0f-9d34-e75c226c7eb3.html

<https://www.dailybreeze.com/2025/08/27/city-council-calls-on-port-of-la-to-monitor-ice-raids-and-help-fight-feds-in-court/>

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Cindy Selmi <cynthia@outreach-partners.org>
Sent: Monday, September 8, 2025 12:09 PM
To: Joan Hartmann
Cc: sbcob
Subject: Pass a Living Wage for Farmworkers; Be Just!

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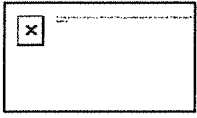
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